

# URGENT CONSCRIPTION AS ONLY FAIR PLAN

Volunteer System Would Break Down, Representative Kahn Declares.

Representative Julius Kahn, of California, ranking Republican member of the Military Affairs Committee, now considering the conscription measure as submitted by the War Department, in answer to a letter protesting against the draft plan, declares there will be no "slackers" under the conscription system, whereas there will be thousands under the volunteer plan.

"It is the judgment of many members of Congress that the volunteer service is not a fair service," Mr. Kahn wrote. "It seems to me that it is only just and democratic to have every American bear his share of the burden. The volunteer system broke down in our own country in the civil war and we had to resort to conscription. It broke down in England in this war and they had to resort to conscription."

"In the present instance I feel that the only efficacious way of getting an army is through the draft."

Representative Anthony, of Kansas, Republican member of the committee, who has announced his purpose of introducing an amendment asking for a try-out for the volunteer system, yesterday afternoon outlined a new form of compromise. He would combine the volunteer and conscription ideas in raising an army.

"It will take several months to get the complicated machinery of the proposed conscription into operation," said Mr. Anthony. "Therefore, I am proposing that we issue an immediate call for 500,000 volunteers."

# CREW OF U. S. SCHOONER IN OPEN BOATS 2 DAYS

American Ship Marguerite Sunk by U-Boat Off Sardinia.

(By the International News Service.)

New York, April 12.—The American schooner Marguerite was sunk southwest of Sardinia by a U-boat on April 4, according to a report received today by the U. S. Navy.

Charles W. Willard and the crew were exposed in open boats for two days.

The master of the schooner Marguerite was reported taken prisoner by the submarine in a cablegram from Consul Kump, at Tunis, to the State Department yesterday afternoon. The crew of twelve was saved, but only after forty-six hours in the boats. The identity of the submarine, which gave warning, but refused to tow the schooner's crew, was not determined.

The sinking of the unarmed Norwegian steamer Marion without warning was reported to the State Department yesterday in a dispatch from Consul Washington, at Livorno, Italy.

On board—A. Hutchinson, of Boston. The captain and crew escaped in lifeboats, but one Russian fell overboard and drowned. The submarine shelled the Marion about 160 miles off Fasnet.

# OUTLINE FOOD CONTROL

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and handling of foods, and, if necessary, the fixing of the prices of staples.

After discussing the general problems of financing agriculture and organizing the Federal and State agencies for effective co-operation, the conference made a special appeal to the patriotism of the farmers throughout the United States and recommended an increased production of food and leguminous food and meat and animal products. To help overcome the general food shortage, intensive cultivation of back yards and vacant lots was urged upon home owners.

After thoroughly discussing the phases of the food situation, the conference decided to deal with the whole subject of the food supply under four major divisions as follows:

First, Production and labor.

Second, Distribution and prices.

Third, Economy and utilization.

Fourth, Effective organization.

Committee of Fifteen.

A committee of fifteen selected from among those attending the conference was appointed to investigate the entire situation and suggest a course of action.

"Upon the farmer rests in large measure the final responsibility of winning the war in which we are engaged," the conference stated. "The importance to the nation of an adequate food supply, especially for the present year, cannot be over-emphasized. The world's food reserve is very low. Therefore, the man who tills the soil and the farmer who tills the field and the family at home is rendering as noble and patriotic a service as the man who bears the brunt of battle. We urge the importance of the immediate mobilization of all available service in performing the patriotic duty of providing and conserving food."

The situation which now confronts our country is a great emergency—the period of the war. It is a time when it is strongly urged that Congress and State legislatures, in passing laws or in making appropriations intended to carry out these or other plans for assuring an adequate food and clothing supply, should be guided by the principle that when the emergency ceases, much permanent reconstruction in agricultural policies and plans may be necessary."

Plan Central Body.

The conference recommended a relatively small central agricultural body, whose services might be required in Washington constantly, to be composed of men who have wide knowledge of agricultural matters and executive experience; a large national advisory body composed of representatives of the leading agricultural agencies and associations, not only in production, but in distributing and handling commodities, and a small central agricultural body in each State, representing various agricultural interests.

The conference report suggested that local and municipal agencies and canning establishments be improved to take care of perishable products which cannot be properly preserved at the home.

# CAPTURE TRAIN ROBBER AFTER DARING ESCAPE

Gang Plundered Mail Trains While Posing as Business Men.

One of the most daring mail train robbers with which the Postoffice Department has yet had to cope, H. Grady Webb, was yesterday recaptured by inspectors of that department at Badin, N. C.

Webb escaped from custody at Charlotte, N. C., on the night of April 4, 1917, while he was being taken to Atlanta, Ga., to serve a term of twenty-five years in the penitentiary there, for the robbery of Baltimore and Ohio Railroad mail train No. 1 at Central Station, W. Va., on October 8, 1915, when \$100,000 was secured by the robbers.

The investigation of the case the inspectors learned that Webb, for the help of a band of robbers which terrorized the South and Southwest for a considerable time. The members of this gang of robbers, while ostensibly business men, systematically robbed trains and plundered mails.

# G. U. DEBATE TEAM WINS SECOND VICTORY

George Washington University's debating team forced to a successful outcome its argument that the United States needs military training in a debate with a team from the University of Pittsburgh last night. Last week George Washington scored over Washington and Jefferson in a debate the value or danger of universal military service in which George Washington argued for military service.

The winning team was composed of W. E. Kemp, H. M. Brock and Andrew C. Shuman, while Pittsburgh's team consisted of A. W. Kornacker, J. A. Snyder and J. R. Milligan. Dean Whitner, of George Washington, presided and announced his school's victory.

The judges were Justice Hitz, of the District Supreme Court; Cato Sells, Insurance Commissioner, and William R. King, chief counsel of the Reclamation Service.

# WAR USE OF RAILWAYS TOLD BY ARMY OFFICER

"Street railways of this city are a vital factor in the mobilization of troops," said Col. Chauncey B. Baker, U. S. A., speaking before Section 8 of the American Electric Railway Association in the assembly hall of the Capital Traction Company at Thirty-sixth and M streets northwest last night.

"Railway officials and employees can perform a great service," said the Colonel, "by maintaining proper schedules, suitable connections and up-to-date equipment. The lines of Washington are immensely valuable to the troops quartered along the river. In other cities army officials have found the street railway an important factor in the mobilization of troops."

J. H. Hanna, vice president of the Capital Traction Company, was ready in every way to aid the government in moving troops and in responding to any strain put on the road by the demands of war.

# SENATE WILL DISCUSS TROLLEY CAR DISPUTE

Vote of 36 to 30 Calls Strike Hearing for Monday.

Differences between the Washington Railway and Electric Company, and its locked-out employees will be aired in Congress next week since an investigation resolution introduced by Senator Hughes, of New Jersey, seems certain to be passed Monday.

Senator Smoot tried to have the investigation resolution referred to the District of Columbia committee but Senator Hughes demanded a roll call on the reference and by a vote of 36 to 30 the motion failed. The motion will come up in the Senate on Monday in regular order and, it is believed, will be passed.

Those who opposed the reference to the District committee declared that the resolution would be pigeonholed or smothered and that a direct vote is desirable at once.

At the headquarters of the Amalgamated Street Car Men's Union, officials were preparing data for presentation at the hearing next week. They maintain they have enough information of infractions of the Public Utilities Commission's regulation to warrant the forfeiture of the company's charter.

The company is standing pat. It is stated that regular service with permanent employees is merely a matter of hours and that the majority of the strike-breakers have been dismissed.

Strike benefits of \$5 were paid to the locked-out employees yesterday, making the third distribution of these strike payments by the Amalgamated Union.

# SPY BILL OPPOSITION OPENS ITS BATTERIES

Noted American Leaders Plead Negative with House Committee.

Representatives of peace organizations, organized labor and the press, combined forces yesterday in an assault on the administration spy bill before the House Judiciary Committee. The bill was assailed as an attack upon the principles of democracy and calculated to create a dictatorship which would end the free institutions of the United States.

The speakers were Jane Addams, president of the Woman's Peace Party; Gilbert E. Roe, a New York attorney who formerly was a partner of Senator La Follette; John Reed, war correspondent; Charles T. Hallinan, of the American League Against Militarism; and Harry Weinberger, representing the Free Speech League of America.

While conceding the right of the government to impose a censorship which would prohibit anybody from attempting to create dissatisfaction in the armed forces of the country or disclose military secrets to an enemy, the speakers were unanimous in declaring that the pending bill would establish a censorship more stringent than any now existing in the countries of the old world.

# POLICE SOLVE MYSTERY; DOG BONE CACHE FOUND

Search for "Murder Farm." Find Innocuous Burial Ground.

For several hours last night the police reporters of Washington thought they had a real, old-fashioned "murder-farm" mystery.

Workmen digging for a sewer at 929 Second street southwest, unearthed a collection of bones that indicated recent burial. There were so many bones found that it looked like a cemetery.

Edward Mallet, District plumbing inspector, went out on the case.

Mallet disappeared, however, yesterday evening, and couldn't be found. The reporters convinced the police that foul work and dastardly deeds had been done, but when the police found Mallet, about midnight, the plumbing inspector said they were dog bones.

So, of course, there wasn't much of a story, in spite of all the mystery.

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# CORCORAN THOM HONOR GUEST OF COLLEAGUES

Efforts for Church Pension Fund Lead to Banquet.

Corcoran Thom's work as chairman of the committee which raised \$125,000 in Washington for the Episcopal Church Pension Fund, was suitably recognized last night when his committee colleagues gathered him a dinner at the Cosmos Club.

Rear Admiral C. H. Stockton presided and introduced the Bishop of Washington, the Right Rev. Alfred Harding, who expressed the thanks of the church for the work of Mr. Thom and his committee.

Very Rev. G. C. F. Bratenahl, D. D., told of Mr. Thom's previous work for the Episcopal Church at Washington.

Among those present were: Rev. E. S. Dunlop, Rev. G. P. Warner, and the following members of the committee: Charles B. Bell, Dr. Marcus, Benjamin Glat Blair, Henry P. Blair, Dr. John G. Boyd, Arthur S. Browne, H. L. Ryan, Melville Church, Jr., Justus J. Barry Covington, William C. Eustis, Charles G. Glover, J. Holdsworth Gordon, Col. J. V. R. Hoff, Thomas Hyde, Hennen Jennings, G. A. Lewis, Theodore W. Noyes, Armistead Peter, A. K. Parris, Dr. William C. Rivers, H. H. Smith, R. H. D. Simms, Rear Admiral C. H. Stockton, Col. George Truesdell, Corcoran Thom, William Waller, Richard B. Watrous, John L. Weaver, Dr. William H. Wilmer, and Clarence R. Wilson.

The committee in charge of arrangements for the dinner consisted of Admiral Stockton, chairman; Dr. Marcus, Benjamin, secretary; J. Holdsworth Gordon, H. L. Rust, and William Waller.

# BOND BILL VOTE TODAY

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retary McAdoo's outline of the administration plans for the outlay of the \$7,000,000, which the bond issue will bring to the Treasury, and the following exchange of views it was said that the administration and the committee were completely and entirely in accord.

Taxation, to supply the revenues necessary to meet the stupendous requirements as to the interest of the \$7,000,000 bond issue, in favor of which the House Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously, will hold the attention of the committee for the next several days, and a bill providing for the raising of \$20,000,000 by direct taxation, must be reported quickly.

The Ways and Means Committee is even now engaged in its preparation. The certainty that there will be only brief discussion of the bond issue in the House, need for speedy and thorough consideration of the bill. It is hope of the Committee on Ways and Means that a bill can be reported in a fortnight.

Division Expected.

It is virtually impossible that similar unanimity of views such as characterized the consideration of the bond bill will mark the consideration of the taxation measure either in committee or in the open House. The fundamental differences between the two major political parties present the opportunity for a flood of argument and vast divergence of views.

The Republicans are expected to urge added impost duties and increased revenue taxes, whereas the Democrats will strive to make the taxes as direct as possible. The passage of a measure which will practically double the revenues of the Federal government, in view of the present small majority in the House for the Democrats, will require concessions providing indirect taxation.

Secretary McAdoo yesterday set the scientific machinery of the Internal Revenue Bureau at work on a comprehensive war tax program. Commissioner of Internal Revenue Osborn has been directed to make his bureau's contribution to raising approximately \$20,000,000 by taxes.

War Tax on Liquors.

The new internal revenue taxes will chiefly be additions to the present imposts, according to the preliminary survey of the tax situation. The excess profits tax and the estates or inheritance tax will be increased, and special war taxes will be levied on liquor and tobacco.

This plan indicates that the national prohibition movement which has been expected to appear in strength because of the state of war will have a support of the administration during the first year of the war, at least. It is understood that the administration feels that the revenues derived from liquor taxes cannot be relinquished at this time.

The internal revenue plan contemplates a reduction of the present \$2,000,000 income tax exemption to \$2,000 and the increase of the 2 per cent rate to 3 or 4 per cent. Other taxes are planned for all luxuries.

# ONE KILLED IN BLAST AT FRANKFORD PLANT

Philadelphia, April 12.—One man was killed and another seriously injured about 10:30 o'clock last night when a detonating fuse exploded at the government arsenal plant at Frankford, four miles northeast of here. The dead man, J. McNally, Joseph Miller is dying at the Frankford Hospital.

Both men are arsenal workmen. Major Pelot at the arsenal this morning said the explosion was accidental in disassembling a timer from a fuse, workmen are cautioned not to have a light, a cigarette or a match near a concrete butt. This the two men did not do, he said.

# GERMANY HAS NO FEAR OF U. S. SENDING ARMY

Amsterdam, April 12.—"With the blindness of a gambler America reached for the rusty, jagged sword that has just been thrown away by Germany," said Maj. Morath, German military expert, in a long article in the Deutsche Tageszeitung on the entry of the United States in the war. Extracts of the article were received from Berlin today.

Maj. Morath, who writes under the heading, "Are the American land forces a danger to Germany?" expressed belief that the United States cannot send any troops to Europe for a long while. He estimates that all the regular forces of the United States will be needed for coast defense, with the possible exception of about 25,000 men, and that these will be required as the backbone and training force for the 500,000 volunteers.

# NEW YORK HOTEL ARRIVALS

New York, April 12.—The following Washingtonians are registered at hotels here:

Herald Square—A. S. Andrews, Navarre G. Deirli, C. E. Knickerbocker, H. E. Shaw, Martha Washington, Miss S. Field, Mrs. O. E. Murphy, Continental—J. O'Connell, Marlborough—M. Snellings, H. Stanford, Albert—S. W. Beaman, Aberdeen—S. A. Ciesler, Arlington—H. Flanagan, Churchill—A. C. Flesham, Brocton—C. J. Stokman.

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# AMERICAN DAUGHTERS WILL VISIT TOMB OF WASHINGTON

Annual Pilgrimage of Patriotic Organization to Mount Vernon.

A large number of Daughters of the American Revolution who are in town for the convention to be held next week will make a pilgrimage this afternoon to Mount Vernon to place a wreath on the tomb of George Washington.

The train will leave the Twelfth street station at 3 o'clock so that the exercises at the tomb may begin promptly at 4. This is the fifth pilgrimage made by the Daughters to this historic spot, and every effort is being made to have a large representation take the trip.

Mrs. William Cummings Story will deliver a short address at the tomb and the gate will be unlocked to allow the committee composed of Mrs. Story, Mrs. Eleanor Washington Howard and Mrs. Eliza Perry Leary to place the wreath on the marble slab that covers the tomb.

A wreath will be placed beneath the picture of Mrs. Pamela Cunningham, whose efforts were instrumental in securing the grounds for the government. Mrs. Leary will have charge of the ceremony in the Illinois room.

More than 1,000 delegates, representing a constituency of 50,000 Daughters, are expected to be in attendance the morning the congress convenes. A meeting to be held tonight is preliminary to the Congress. The committee is composed of national officers, State regents, and 300 women appointed by the president general. Mrs. William Cummings Story, president of the organization will preside.

# ATTA BOY! ONE-PIECE BATH SUITS AU FAIT

Supt. Brunner Deletes Censorship for Municipal Baths.

When the municipal bathing pools in the Mall open for the summer, it may become necessary to erect a high board fence around the enclosure and admit by card only for—

Oh, boy!

This man Frederick J. Brunner, who runs the pools, yesterday announced that he doesn't care what the bathing nymphs of 1917 wear, just as long as they wear something and come on down and swim.

The hickory limbs in the neighborhood of the pools, which might have served in the past for Dolly's garmenture when she didn't go near the young men, may be snapped off in the rush for grand stand seats, but just the same, the Annette Kellerman bathing suit, that dippy bit of bathing attire commonly known as the "one-piece" probably will reign supreme at Mr. Brunner's swimming pools this summer.

Washington has been a little backward about its sanction of the one-piece suit. Atlantic City has been risking an eye on the blamed thing for a couple of summers, and if you can believe the motion picture stuff from California that you see occasionally, they probably don't wear anything else out there.

Well, here's looking at you, girls!

# NO CAUSE FOR WORRY IF NEMATODES ABOUND

Expert Tells Aquarium Society All About Inhabitants of Water.

Good morning! Have the 5,000 or more nematodes you swallowed when you took a drink of water before breakfast caused you any trouble?

Oh, yes, you did. If you drank a glass of water this morning, you drank about 5,000 nematodes—apricot, adolescent nematodes—which formerly inhabited your favorite water-pipe. Dr. Nathan Todd says you didn't and he ought to know, having nematodes for some 30 years or more.

Prohibition almost became a lost cause last night at the meeting of the Aquarium Society of Washington when Dr. Todd, who is a research expert on nematodes, told the society that there was no real danger in a diet of raw nematodes, so long as the percentage didn't run much higher than 1,000 to the square inch.

A quick census of the meeting last night indicated that there will be a heavy jump in the amount of bottled drinking water consumed today.

# WATCH YOUR STEP; LOOK AT CALENDAR

Friday and Thirteenth on Same Day Makes Superstitious Tremble.

Somebody looked up at the calendar last night and discovered that the jinx of jinxes is upon us. Today is Friday, the Thirteenth!

So, if bad luck visits you today in any of its myriad forms, don't blame it on the other fellow. Blame it on the calendar.

Friday, the Thirteenth, is not of frequent enough occurrence to be passed up without an expected call from the hoodoo. So, if Old Man Evil-to-day looks you up today, go ahead and join the army of cynics who insist that Friday, the Thirteenth, is their lucky day.

A lot of us would be disappointed if we didn't drop dead today. If the landlady didn't call us for not paying up back rents, or if Friend Hubby or Wife didn't tell us to take a jump in the lake.

But in the language of the classic lady of vaudeville jest, who didn't care what happened, so long as it didn't happen to herself, "We should worry."

# CALL FOR 500,000 MEN

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scription bill. There will be no abandonment of the selective draft plan, the Secretary made clear.

"I have neither suggested nor has it been suggested to me that any change be made in the present army bill, transmitting to the Congress the average of five hundred and nineteen are needed to raise the regular army to war strength, 206,349 are needed to fill up the present National Guard units, and 150,000 are needed to replace an equal number who will be withdrawn from the regular army and the National Guard to act as a training force for the first selective draft increment of 500,000.

The statement showed that since the beginning of the war army enlistments have amounted to 4,353.

Secretary Baker said that this was an increase over previous enlistment figures.

He declared, however, that it could not be used as a basis for arguing the desirability of voluntary enlistments as a policy, because the young men of the country were "waiting for Congress" to act on the selective draft bill.

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LOT 1	Two great big lots of the season's best selling weaves, in good, useful lengths of 1 1/2 to 6 yards, in all the new colors, also black.	LOT 2
39c Yard	—Remnants of Serges, Poplins, Silk and Wool Poplins, checks, plaids, mixtures, stripes, crepes, granites and diagonals.	79c Yard

Kann's—Bargain Table—Street Floor.

## 500 Pairs Women's Sample Low SHOES at \$2.95 Pair

—A Clean-up of a manufacturer's sample line of Spring and Summer novelties and staples in low footwear.

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—Select from kidskin, gun metal calf, Russian calf, patent calf and kid, buckskin, suede and canvas.

—Sample sizes 3 to 4 1/2 only.

—ALSO 500 pairs selected from our own stock. Broken sizes from the Eastern selling, styles we have decided to discontinue because not able to duplicate. These are in a good range of sizes.

—Shoes with a GREAT deal more than today's price. Choice of the lot, a pair—\$2.95.

Kann's—Fourth Floor.

## A Special Lot of "Mill Ends" of Percales

—to include with remnants of WASH GOODS from stock, making today's sale unusually attractive.

—Fine Quality Percales, in good, useful lengths; worth 18c a yard. Also remnants from stock of other wash goods, such as madras, ginghams, voiles and silk and cotton fabrics.

—There will be many uses to which you can apply these remnant lengths and you are saving money in buying them today at a yard.

Kann's—Street Floor.

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—Remnants of Sateens and Percalines, in 20c black and colors. To close today, a yard, 20c.

—Remnants of Coat Linings, Satins and Venetians. To close today, a yard, 59c.

Kann's Street Floor.

SAVE ON Light-Weight Underwear

Women's Swiss Ribbed Vests, with low neck, no sleeves, taped round neck and arms. SPECIAL. 19c

Women's Pink Lisle Thread Vests, Swiss ribbed; low neck; no sleeves; nicely made. 3 for \$1.00. EACH. 35c

Women's Union Suits, lace trimmed, umbrella style, or three-piece style, with tight knee; both have low neck; no sleeves. EACH. 35c

Kann's—Street Floor.

36 OILETTES, landscape and marine views, framed in three-inch imitation walnut frames; six gold, six silver, six copper, six nickel, six chrome, six black. Never sold for less than \$1.45. Choice today. 99c

18 ORIOLE GO-BASKETS, in natural or brown-finished reed, upholstered in leatherette or corduroy. \$7.49 and \$9.00 regularly. Choice today. \$6.49

## CANADIANS GAIN MILE

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River they captured eleven more big German guns.

Meanwhile the French, driving northward against St. Quentin, on the front between Coucy and Quincy Basses, hurled the Germans back to the southwestern edge of the Upper Coucy forest, taking a number of important positions. In the Champagne they drove troops of the crown prince out of trenches east of Sapienue.

In the face of these numerous gains, Hindenburg's forces battled with the heroism of men haunted by the specter of collapse. Wherever the British or French attacked, the Germans fought back as never before. Not a foot of a trench was yielded until after the bitter hand-to-hand fighting. Along the whole front the battle resolved itself into thousands of pairs of men clutched in desperate life or death struggles. Wherever the British or French did not attack, the Germans themselves flung themselves against the foe, aided by murderous artillery and machine gun fire.

Tentons Hold Two Points.

At two points, it is officially admitted, the day was held their own throughout the day, at Bullecourt and on the eastern slopes of Vimy Ridge. Particularly on these slopes they fought with unprecedented fury, well realizing that the loss of all of the ridge would spell a forced withdrawal away back to the Doune Canal front, and probably still farther. They failed in violent attacks to wrest a foot of ground from the Canadians, though they did beat off all attempts by the latter to hurl them off the slopes.

In counter attacks at Bullecourt the Germans claim to have taken 1,000 prisoners, which assertion is discredited at British headquarters, however.

"Heavy losses" by the British continue to mark the official Berlin report. The Berlin war office admitted today the loss of Monchy de Preux "after frequent fruitless assaults," adding that "south of the Scarpe the enemy thrust strongly against us." To the north of Monchy, however, Berlin asserts, British attacks, participated in by cavalry and "tanks," "broke down with heavy losses."

"Again the Berlin statement mentioned artillery firing of great violence between

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION PLANS MINSTREL SHOW

An elaborate minstrel show will be given at Odd Fellows Hall, Friday, April 20, under the auspices of the Young People's Union of the Second Baptist Church, the proceeds to be used for a new Sunday school building.

The program includes three big specialties, the American-Hawaiian Trio, Zeb Clark, "The Whistling Coon," and Pistorio's Orchestra. A departure has been made from the character of minstrelsy customarily presented, the cast having been formed to include female as well as male actors.

Mabel I. Cooke appears as the leading soprano, with Earl Duval starring as right end man. The players are all Washingtonians.

COLISEUM HAS PRIZE DANCE.

The prize waltz at the Central Coliseum last night was won by Edwin Frey and Miss Elsie Renshke.

The management announces another prize dance for tonight.

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## WOULD PRESERVE HOME.

California Society Urges Interest in Washington's Birthplace.

The California State Society held a meeting last night in the Senate Hotel. In the absence of Representative John L. Nolan, president of the society, Secretary Conrad Vogel occupied the chair.

Joseph I. Kiefer gave a talk on the birthplace of George Washington, and spoke of the necessity of its preservation as a national landmark. A resolution was passed endorsing a campaign to interest other State societies in Washington to work for the project.

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